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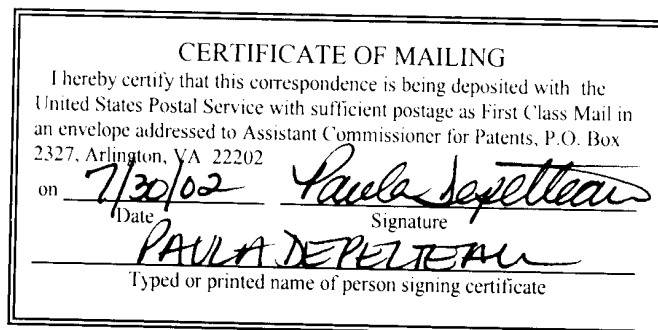
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For: Response of Dendritic Cells to a Diverse Set of Pathogens



PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Please amend the application as follows:

In the Claims

Please cancel Claims 2-4, 10-11, 13-16, 19-21, 23-44, 46-47, 52-54, 56-58.

Please amend Claims 7-9, 12, 18, and 55. Amendments to the claims are indicated in the attached "Marked Up Version of Amendments" (pages i -ii).

7. (Amended) The method of Claim 6, wherein the stimulus-responsive gene probe is a stimulus-specific gene probe.